

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

February 23, 1998

**IN RE: BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S )  
ENTRY INTO LONG DISTANCE (InterLATA) )  
SERVICE IN TENNESSEE PURSUANT TO SECTION )Docket No.: 97-00309  
271 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996 )**

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**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR INTERVENTION BY SOUTHEASTERN  
COMPETITIVE CARRIERS ASSOCIATION, BROOKS FIBER  
COMMUNICATIONS OF TENNESSEE, INC., INTELCOM GROUP SERVICES,  
INC. AND OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (CONSUMER ADVOCATE  
DIVISION)**

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This matter came before the Directors at a regularly scheduled Directors' Conference held on February 17, 1998, upon the Petitions for Leave to Intervene respectively filed by Southeastern Competitive Carriers Association, Brooks Fiber Communications of Tennessee, Inc., Intelcom Group Services, Inc. and Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Advocate Division. The parties shall collectively be referred to hereinafter as the "Intervenors" and the Petitions for Leave to Intervene shall collectively be referred to hereinafter as the "Petitions to Intervene".

At the above-referenced Directors' Conference, the Directors applied the legal standard for interventions, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-310, and determined that the Petitions to Intervene: (1) were timely; (2) demonstrated that legal interests of the Intervenors may be determined in this matter; and (3) demonstrated that the interest of justice and the

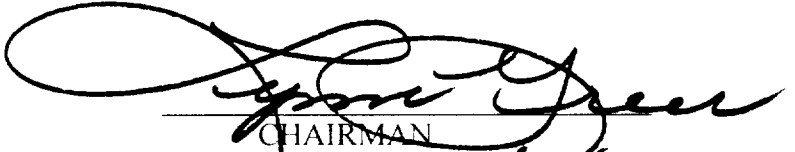
orderly and prompt conduct of this matter would not be impaired by allowing intervention. Without objection from the parties, the Directors unanimously granted the Petitions to Intervene.

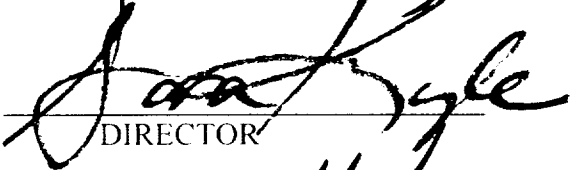
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

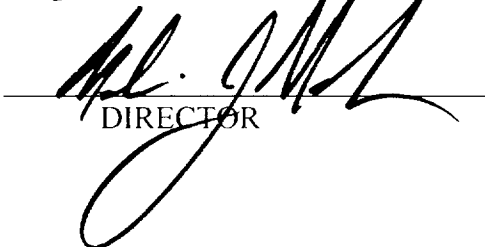
1. The Intervenors shall be and hereby are granted leave to intervene and to participate in this proceeding as their interests may appear and shall be permitted to receive copies of any notices, orders or other documents filed in this matter;

2. Any Party aggrieved by the Authority's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Authority within ten (10) days of the date of this Order: and

3. Any Party aggrieved by the Authority's decision in this matter has the right of judicial review by filing a Petition for Review in the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle District, within sixty (60) days of the date of this Order.

  
CHAIRMAN

  
DIRECTOR

  
DIRECTOR

ATTEST:

  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY